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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed, and reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

Claims 1-3 were originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Vella '540 or Bricker '267. However, the Examiner has pointed out that claim 4 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Responsive to this, claims 2-4 are deleted, and claim 1 is amended which is substantially the combination of original claims 1, 3 and 4. Accordingly, by the amendments, it is believed that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) should be withdrawn, and the amended claim 1 should be allowable.

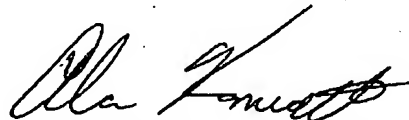
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the application is now in a condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, he is urged to contact Applicant's attorney at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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